

DETAILED ACTION

1. **Claims 1,3-23 are still pending in the application while claim 2 has been cancelled.**

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments, see remarks, filed 08/11/2009 with respect to claims 1,3-23 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of 1, 3-23 has been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:
 1. Claims 1 and 3-23 are allowed.

Regarding claims 1 and 11, the prior art does not disclose or suggest the combination of, inter alia, the limitation of, "a battery side terminal disposed on the front surface of the case and connected to the battery through the charging unit, the battery side terminal configured to connect to a housing chamber side terminal of the electronic device to provide electric power to the charging unit from the electronic device as said charging unit charges and to provide electric power from the charging unit to the electronic device through the battery side terminal as the charging unit discharges, wherein a first engaging recessed part is formed on the front surface of the case of the battery device and a second engaging recessed part is formed on the front surface of the case of the battery device, the first and second engaging recessed parts being separated in the width direction by a gap", in combination with the remaining limitations of claims 1 and 11.

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2. Claims 3-10, and 22-23 depend directly or indirectly from claim 1, and thus are also allowable for the same reason.

3. Claims 12-21 are also allowable in virtue of their direct or indirect dependencies from claim 11.

Conclusion

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Citation of Prior Art

2. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The prior art cited in the PTO-892 and not mentioned above disclose related apparatus.

Bo et al., (Bo) US PAT 6,265,845 discloses a portable battery charger having at least one charging pocket for recharging a battery pack mounted on a mobile station or a separate battery pack.

Satou et al., (Satou) US PAT 6,172,867 discloses an electronic apparatus with reinforced upper case.

Contact Information

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